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Dear Mr. Long:

Under date of November 17, 1958 I made a brief report, addressed to Dr. Sproull, covering prior art relating to synthetic tobacco. The report included a few United States and British patents.

I understand the subject is still under consideration and I enclose a recent patent which may be of interest. The patent is <u>Siegel</u> 2,907,686 which proposes a cigarette substitute comprised of a specially prepared carbon, a flavoring impregnant, and a smoke producing agent of which latter several are mentioned including glycerol, calcium pimelate and calcium suberate. An ash-producing compound may also be included such as zinc chloride, lime, alumina etc.

Sincerely,

Enc.

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